

I hope to see you before many weeks from the
moment I am

be with my truly

Yours

W. P. Bidwell

P.S. Perhaps I wrote you that the money \$50.
went into the pocket of Clark in Wall St
who has absconded to Texas or somewhere else.

Rev. W. A. Bidwell,

New York, June 6. 1844.

Rev A. A. Phelps.

New York, June 6th 1844

My Dear Mother.

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It was my hearts desire to be in Boston
anniversary week. but with all my pressing duties as
Editor & Manager of the affairs of the Evangelist I found it
impossible to leave my post. Bro. Bradford has not been
able to lift his pen since March & has gone home some
two or three weeks since. with his Brother Dr Bradford
of Homer 30 miles south of Syracuse N. York. I hope
it possible as soon as we are through with all
our anniversary upats &c. to break away for three
or four days long enough to run over to Boston. I
want to see you for a little chat &c. I have only
time to write a word.

I have been almost crushed as the brethren here
have for a few days past in view of the sad
developments which are about to be made public &
unavoidably in respect to Bro. N. E. Johnson. I am sorry
to day he is a ruined man & will probably never
preach again. It is expected the presbytery of New York
will depose him next Monday on his own confession
for intemperance - attending theatres & giving licentiousness.
It has it seems been a habit for a long time but by
few even suspected enough to make a charge &
bring the matter to investigation. He has confessed
it & then at the New York Posters. When shall I
hear again from your London friends. And when
shall I get another letter from you about Boston matters.